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For:

MEMBRANE ELECTRODE ASSEMBLY AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME, AND POLYMER ELECTROLYTE FUEL CELL COMPRISING SUCH MEMBRANE

ELECTRODE ASSEMBLIES

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of February 5, 2004 to June 7, 2004.

You are authorized to charge the statutory fee of \$110.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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